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The Honorable Duncan Hunter
Chairman, Committee on Armed Services
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6035

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Department of Defense plans to relocate 2000 Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) personnel from government-leased space in Arlington, Virginia, and Hanover, Maryland, to a planned 450,000 square foot building at Bolling Air Force Base, Washington, DC. The relocation will enable DIA to reduce the vulnerability of its National Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance functions, currently housed in leased facilities, and place them in a secure government-owned facility. The relocation is to be completed in 2005 at a cost of approximately \$1.6 million.

I have reviewed this action in light of Section 8020 of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, Fiscal Year 2003, Public Law 107-248, and certify that the relocation described in this letter is in the best interest of the Government.

A similar letter is being sent to the Chairmen and Ranking Members of the other Defense Committees.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul Wolfowitz", is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

cc:

The Honorable Ike Skelton
Ranking Member

